

(c) Does not arise.

### **New FDI Policy**

1517. SHRI CHITTBARATA MAJUMDAR:  
SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are in the process of finalizing a new Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy keeping in view the security concerns;

(b) if so, whether the security concern is country-specific or sector-specific; and

(c) the sectors and countries identified as sensitive *vis-a-vis* India's national security?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) to (c) Government has put in place a liberal Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy under which FDI up to 100% is permitted in most sectors and activities. Review of FDI policy is undertaken periodically to review/revise sectoral caps and where necessary, build-in sector-specific sensitivities. FDI policy is incorporated in the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident Outside India) Regulations, 2000 under the Foreign Exchange Management Act. These Regulations indicate the countries from where investment is not permitted.

### **Increase in Cement Price**

†1518. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the price of cement has recently increased sharply in comparison to the price last year;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering to do away with the import duty on cement to control its price and to check recurrence of price increase in future;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.